

That Congress—

(1) recognizes the impact that Tourette Syndrome can have on people living with the disorder;

(2) recognizes the importance of an early diagnosis and proper treatment of Tourette Syndrome;

(3) recognizes the need for enhanced public awareness of Tourette Syndrome; and

(4) supports the goals and ideals of National Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month.

AMENDMENT NO. 4066

Strike the preamble and insert the following:

Whereas Tourette Syndrome is an inherited neurological disorder characterized by involuntary and sudden movements or repeated vocalizations;

Whereas approximately 200,000 people in the United States have been diagnosed with Tourette Syndrome and many more remain undiagnosed;

Whereas lack of public awareness has increased the social stigma attached to Tourette Syndrome;

Whereas early diagnosis and treatment of Tourette Syndrome can prevent physical and psychological harm;

Whereas there is no known cure for Tourette Syndrome and treatment involves multiple medications and therapies; and

Whereas May 15 through June 15 has been designated as National Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month, the goal of which is to educate the public about the nature and effects of Tourette Syndrome: Now, therefore, be it

AMENDMENT NO. 4067

(Purpose: To amend the title)

Amend the title so as to read "Recognizing the importance of early diagnosis, proper treatment, and enhanced public awareness of Tourette Syndrome and supporting the goals and ideals of National Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month."

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 113), as amended, was agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was agreed to.

The concurrent resolution, as amended, with its preamble, as amended, reads as follows:

(The bill will be printed in a future edition of the RECORD.)

#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO JOSEPH BARBERA ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 467, which was submitted earlier today by Senator HATCH.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 467) extending birthday greetings to Joseph Barbera on the occasion of his 100th birthday and designating March 2005 as Animated Family Entertainment Month.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 467) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 467

Whereas Joseph Barbera is one of the pioneers of animated entertainment, having created, with his partner, William Hanna, some of the world's most recognizable and beloved characters, including Tom and Jerry, Huckleberry Hound, The Flintstones, The Jetsons, Scooby-Doo, and Yogi Bear, among many others;

Whereas Joseph Barbera is also one of the most honored figures in animated entertainment, his creations Tom and Jerry having received 7 Academy Awards for their antics, including their groundbreaking dancing appearances with Gene Kelly and Esther Williams in live action films, and having won multiple Emmy Awards, and Joseph Barbera himself having been elected to the Television Academy Hall of Fame;

Whereas in 1960, the team of Joseph Barbera and William Hanna created television's first animated family sitcom, "The Flintstones", a series marked by a number of other firsts—the first animated series to air in primetime, the first animated series to go beyond the 6- or 7-minute cartoon format, and the first animated series to feature human characters;

Whereas "The Flintstones" ran for 6 years and became the top-ranking animated program in syndication history, with all original 166 episodes currently seen in more than 80 countries worldwide;

Whereas Joseph Barbera cocreated a cowardly Great Dane named Scooby-Doo, who eventually made his own place in television history, for the popular series "Scooby-Doo, Where Are You?" remained in production for 17 years, still maintains the title of television's longest-running animated series, and serves as the inspiration for a series of current live-action films;

Whereas in 1981, Hanna-Barbera developed the phenomenally successful "The Smurfs", which won 2 Daytime Emmy Awards in 1982 and in 1983 for Outstanding Children's Entertainment Series and a Humanitas Award (an award given to shows that best affirm the dignity of the human person) in 1987;

Whereas at the age of 99, Joseph Barbera continues to work actively in the field, reporting to his office daily and continuing to develop new animated entertainment for the people of the United States and the world to enjoy;

Whereas March 24, 2005, will be Joseph Barbera's 100th birthday; and

Whereas the lives of families across the United States and throughout the world have been enriched by the shared enjoyment of the work of creators like Joseph Barbera: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) on behalf of the American people, extends its birthday greetings and best wishes to Joseph Barbera on the occasion of his 100th birthday; and

(2) designates March 2005 as "Animated Family Entertainment Month" and encourages the families of the United States to take time to enjoy together the family entertainment created by the Nation's animated storytellers.

#### AMENDING UNITED STATES CODE TO AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF UNITED STATES

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate

consideration of S. 2979 which was introduced earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2979) to amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Administrative Conference of the United States for fiscal years 2005, 2006, and 2007, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statement relating to the matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 2979) was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 2979

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Federal Regulatory Improvement Act of 2004".

#### SEC. 2. PURPOSES.

(a) PURPOSES.—Section 591 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

##### "§ 591 Purposes

"The purposes of this subchapter are—

"(1) to provide suitable arrangements through which Federal agencies, assisted by outside experts, may cooperatively study mutual problems, exchange information, and develop recommendations for action by proper authorities to the end that private rights may be fully protected and regulatory activities and other Federal responsibilities may be carried out expeditiously in the public interest;

"(2) to promote more effective public participation and efficiency in the rulemaking process;

"(3) to reduce unnecessary litigation in the regulatory process;

"(4) to improve the use of science in the regulatory process; and

"(5) to improve the effectiveness of laws applicable to the regulatory process."

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title 5 of the United States Code is amended—

(1) in section 594 by striking "purpose" and inserting "purposes"; and

(2) in the table of sections of chapter 5 of part I by amending the item relating to section 591 to read as follows:

"591. Purposes".

#### SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 596 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

##### "§ 596. Authorization of appropriations

"There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subchapter not more than \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2005, \$3,100,000 for fiscal year 2006, and \$3,200,000 for fiscal year 2007. Of any amounts appropriated under this section, not more than \$2,500 may be made available in each fiscal year for official representation and entertainment expenses for foreign dignitaries."

#### PROVIDING FOR CONVEYANCE OF PARCELS OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LAND IN APALACHICOLA NATIONAL FOREST

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the Agriculture Committee be discharged from further consideration of